

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 77, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

On the other hand, the documents in the stack ~~in each of the states C and E~~ may be read in from the lowermost document to the uppermost document. In this case, the images V, III, and I are read in in this order. The ~~images II~~ images VI, IV, and VI and II are read in in this order. In this case, when printing, the images VI, IV, and II are read out and printed in this order, while the images V, III, and I are read out and printed in this order. In other words, when printing, the images for the rear surfaces are read out and printed in an order ~~opposite to the same as~~ opposite to the same as the order in which the rear surfaces have been read in, while images for the front surfaces are read out and printed in an order the same as the order in which the front surfaces have been read in.